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Interview Summary	Application No.	Applicant(s)	
	10/822,849	YOSHIOKA ET AL.	
	Examiner	Art Unit	
	Joseph P. Hirl	2129	

All participants (applicant, applicant's representative, PTO personnel):

(1) Joseph P. Hirl. (3)_____

(2) James Golladay. (4)_____

Date of Interview: 18 October 2007.

Type: a) ☐ Telephonic b) ☐ Video Conference
c) ☒ Personal [copy given to: 1) ☐ applicant 2) ☐ applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) ☐ Yes e) ☒ No.
If Yes, brief description: _____

Claim(s) discussed: Independent.


Identification of prior art discussed: Brainmaker.

Agreement with respect to the claims f) ☐ was reached. g) ☐ was not reached. h) ☒ N/A.

Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: See attached facsimile from applicant. Discussion focused on how the currently written claims can be interpreted to allow Brainmaker to read on them.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

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Applicant Initiated Interview Request Form

Application No.: 10/822,849 First Named Applicant: Takeshi YOSHIOKA
 Examiner: J. HIRL Art Unit: 2129 Status of Application: _____

Tentative Participants:

(1) James Golladay (2) _____
 (3) _____ (4) _____

Proposed Date of Interview: 10/17/07 Proposed Time: 10:00am (AM/PM)

Type of Interview Requested:

(1) ☐ Telephonic (2) ☒ Personal (3) ☐ Video Conference

Exhibit To Be Shown or Demonstrated: ☐ YES ☐ NO

If yes, provide brief description: _____

Issues To Be Discussed

Issues (Rej., Obj., etc)	Claims/ Fig. #s	Prior Art	Discussed	Agreed	Not Agreed
(1) <u>Rej 101</u>	<u>16-20 and 22-26</u>	<u>n/a</u>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
(2) <u>Rej 102(b)</u>	<u>5-14, 16- 20 and 22- 26</u>	<u>See below</u>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
(3) _____	_____	_____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
(4) _____	_____	_____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

☐ Continuation Sheet Attached

Brief Description of Arguments to be Presented:

BrainMaker (California Scientific Software, Neural Network Simulation Software User's Guide and Reference).

(1) Claims 22-26 recite statutory methods; (2) BrainMaker does not anticipate e.g. (a) an input unit for inputting information about a period of an experience of acquiring knowledge, information about knowledge acquired from the experience, and information about an individual possessing the knowledge (see claim 5) based merely on the disclosure of an input node; (b) an analysis unit for analyzing the inputted information to determine a propagation state and propagation velocity of knowledge among a plurality of individuals (see e.g. claim 5) based on the presentation of "bad values" as outputs; (c) analyzing or inputting information to identify (i) an activity corresponding to an experience from which knowledge has been acquired and an activity to which the knowledge has been applied; (ii) a knowledge creation process which converts an experience into knowledge and a knowledge creation process which applies knowledge to a new activity; or (iii) a job category where the experience has been gained, and information about a job category to which the knowledge has been applied (see e.g. 7-9, 16-18 and 22-24), based on the allegedly corresponding output; or (d) outputting or displaying various combinations of activities, knowledge creation processes, job categories and periods in two-dimension tables, (see e.g. claims 10-14) based on the allegedly corresponding

representation of error rates.

An interview was conducted on the above-identified application on _____

NOTE:

This form should be completed by applicant and submitted to the examiner in advance of the interview (see MPEP § 713.01).

This application will not be delayed from issue because of applicant's failure to submit a written record of this interview. Therefore, applicant is advised to file a statement of substance of this interview (37 CFR 1.133(b)) as soon as possible.

(Applicant/Applicant's Representative Signature)

(Examiner/SPE Signature)